

Amendments to the Specification:

Please make the following amendments to the specification. Material to be inserted in replacement paragraphs or sections is in **bold and underline**, and material to be deleted is in ~~strikeout~~ or (if the deletion is of five or fewer consecutive characters or would be difficult to see) in ~~strikeout~~ and double brackets [[]].

Please replace the paragraph on page 1, lines 8-16, with the following rewritten paragraph:

This application incorporates by reference in their entirety for all purposes the following U.S. patent applications: Serial No. [[____]]**10/716,719**, filed November 19, 2003, titled ADJUSTABLE BONE PLATES, and naming Randall J. Huebner and Steven P. Horst as inventors; Serial No. [[____]]**10/717,401**, filed November 19, 2003, titled GUIDE SYSTEM FOR BONE-REPAIR DEVICES, and naming Randall J. Huebner and Steven P. Horst as inventors; Serial No. [[____]]**10/717,402**, filed November 19, 2003, titled DEFORMABLE BONE PLATES, and naming Randall J. Huebner as inventor; and Serial No. [[____]]**10/717,399**, filed November 19, 2003, titled BONE PLATES WITH REFERENCE MARKS, and naming Randall J. Huebner as inventor.